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SUBJECT SAIGON PRESS HIGHLIGHTS KHMER SITUATION

1. THE SITUATION IN THE KHMER REPUBLIC DOMINATES THE FRONT PAGES OF APR 12 SAIGON NEWSPAPERS. BANNER HEADLINES ANNOUNCE THAT THE US HAS " SET UP AN AIR SUPPLY BRIDGE" TO PHNOM PENH (TIA SANG) AND THAT GEN HAIG' S SAIGON VISIT WAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSULTING WITH PM KHIEM ABOUT THE DANGEROUS SITUATION IN CAMBODIA (HOA BINH). MILDLY OPPOSITIONIST DAI DAN TOC HEADLINES A STORY ALLEGEDLY BASED ON A BBC RADIO COMMENTARY TO THE EFFECT THAT THE US HAS GIVEN LON NOL FOUR-SIX WEEKS TO PUT HIS GOVERNMENT IN ORDER OR ELSE AMERICA WILL MAKE A " NEW DECISION" REGARDING SUPPORT FOR THE KHMER REPUBLIC. ACCORDING TO DAI DAN TOC, CAMBODIA " MIGHT BE DIVIDED INTO TWO PARTS LIKE VIETNAM." MANY DEILIES FEATURE A PHOTOGRAPH OF A TAIWANESE FREIGHTER IN FLAMES ON THE MEKONG.

2. ALTHOUGH CAMBODIA DOMINATES THE APR 12 NEWSPAPERS, MANY PAPERS ALSO GIVE PROMINENCE TO THE DOWNING OF ICCS
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